REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the subject application as amended herein. This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 21, 2003. Claims 2-4, 6-8, 10-13 and 15-18 are rejected. Claims 2-4, 6-8, 10-13 and 15-18 have been cancelled, thus, Applicant is not expressing an opinion on the rejection regarding claims 2-4, 6-8, 10-13 and 15-18 at this point. These claims may be subject to a continuation application at a later time.

Allowed claims

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 19-23, 25, and 28-31.

Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Mimi Diemmy Dao at (408) 720-8300.

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Respectfully submitted,

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